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1. The Free Germany Army of General Paulus, which is reported to be unarmed, is organized into infantry, artillery, engineer, communication, and tank units as well as other kinds of units, and the command throughout is held by German officers under a loose form of Soviet supervision. In contrast with the German prisoners still in Soviet labor camps, the members of this army are excellently equipped, provisioned, and paid. On joining the army, it is reported, all soldiers are tattooed on the breast and thigh with the letters "F.D." Around one sleeve of their uniform they wear a black, white, and red band and on the other the Soviet star.
2. The main body of the army is concentrated around Kiev.

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Note: [redacted] the main body of the Free German Army in the USSR is centered around Gorki and that in addition to this group there are in Kiev and in other areas of European Russia other German units collected together in work battalions, companies, etc.

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